



STUDY AROAD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 10, 2017

The Office of International Programs (OIP) invites full-time Salve Regina University students planning to study abroad for the first time through a Salve Regina recognized program, who hold a minimum GPA of 3.0, to apply for a Salve Study Abroad Scholarship, as well as scholarships provided to the OIP by our recognized study abroad program providers, API and CIEE. These scholarships aim to help increase the number of students who choose to participate in a semester abroad experience, but even more so, to help diversify students who can participate in a semester abroad as well as the countries/ regions where Salve students choose to study.

Furthermore, these scholarships aim to support undergraduates who might otherwise not participate in study abroad due to financial constraints. Funds will also be awarded on the basis of academic merit, financial need and students' demonstrated maturity as responsible members of the Salve Regina community.

Salve Regina University offers the following semester Study Abroad Scholarship opportunities through the Office of International Programs:

1. The SRU Study Abroad Endowment Scholarship – General scholarship open to eligible semester study abroad students
2. The Jane Campbell Scholarship in Modern Languages – Open to eligible students who are declared language majors or minors
3. The Donaldson Trust Scholarship – Open to eligible students who elect to study abroad in Spanish-speaking countries
4. The API Study Abroad Scholarship – Open to eligible students who study abroad with a Recognized API program
5. The CIEE Study Abroad Scholarship - Open to eligible students who study abroad with a Recognized CIEE program

Scholarship Eligibility

1. Minimum 3.0 cumulative G.P.A.
2. First Time Studying Abroad
3. Studying Abroad during the **Fall 2017** semester

INSTRUCTIONS Student Checklist - Keep this sheet for your records.

Follow these instructions to apply for the Study Abroad Scholarship.

Return the following required application materials to the Office of International Programs by **March 10, 2017**.

- ☐ Coversheet for the Study Abroad Scholarship Application (attached)
- ☐ A proofread, professional copy of your Resume (Reviewed by a career adviser in Career Development before submission)
- ☐ Faculty Reference (form attached)

Faculty can choose to submit the reference to you or directly to our office. Your application will not be complete and we will not consider your application until your faculty reference is received.

- ☐ Statement of Purpose Essay



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Students: Please keep this page for your records

Salve Regain Scholarship Conditions & Expected Next Steps for Recipients:

1. The Study Abroad Scholarship Committee will review all applications after the March 10th deadline has passed. Scholarships will be announced on March 28th at the "Knowing Where You're Going – Semester Pre-departure Workshop."
2. Students may be asked to participate in an interview prior to the awarding of the scholarship(s).
3. A follow-up email will be sent to all scholarship recipients notifying them of any next step procedures or information, as well as requirements and guidelines.
4. **IMPORTANT – Salve Regina Scholarship Award amounts are distributed directly to the recipients' Salve Regina account and will be first distributed toward Salve Fall 2017 tuition bill.**
5. Award recipients must post blogs on the **Salve Study Abroad Blog** (<http://studyabroad.salvereginablogs.com/>) at least once a month during their fall 2017 semester abroad. Blogs do not need to be lengthy, but should help provide Salve students a positive and realistic perspective into your semester abroad. All posts must demonstrate cultural awareness and cultural sensitivity. Students are also strongly encouraged add photos and videos to their posts. As a reminder, please remember that this blog is public and can be found on the Salve Regina University website.
6. All award recipients must participate in Fall 2018 Pre-Departure Workshop, "Knowing Where You're Going" (held during spring 2018) for upcoming semester abroad students.
7. Upon the students return from their semester abroad, all award recipients must make a **formal 5 to 10 minute presentation** about their study abroad experience during the 2018 International Education Week, "**Adventures in Another Land**" **presentation**. (exact date and time to be announced in September 2018.)



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Statement of Purpose Essay

The **Statement of Purpose Essay** is your chance to personalize your scholarship application. When writing the **750-1000** word essay, clearly address the impact that your selected study abroad program will have on your academic, professional, and personal goals. Scholarship applicants should carefully read their program's website before composing their essay.

Please answer the following questions within your essay.

1. What initially inspired you to want to study abroad in your selected program's country?
2. What impact do you anticipate your specific study abroad program will have on your immediate and long-term academic and professional goals?
 - Will this experience allow you to take coursework or pursue further language training that is not available at Salve Regina? Please describe in detail.
 - How do you plan to connect your study abroad coursework, as well as any out of the classroom experiences (i.e. family home-stays, joining student clubs or sports teams, internships, field research, volunteer activities, extra-curricular activities, etc.) back to your Salve degree?
3. What challenges or barriers, if any, have you faced in your decision to study abroad for a semester?
 - For example, do family obligations or financial concerns hinder your ability to study abroad? Other examples include, but are not limited to, being a non-traditional student, a first generation college student, a student living with a disability (visible or non-visible), studying within an academic field or varsity sports team which may appear to be traditionally difficult to incorporate being abroad semester, etc. Please describe your challenges/barriers in detail.
4. Upon your return from a semester abroad, how do you plan to encourage other Salve Regina students to study abroad?
 - Describe how you will help to promote Salve Regina's Study Abroad Scholarship opportunities, please be detailed and specific as possible?



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Semester Abroad Scholarship Application

Complete the following application and submit it to the Office of International Programs by **March 10, 2017**.

Part I: Applicant Information

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Salve ID#: _____

Ethnicity/Race (optional):

☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian/Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ Black or African American
☐ Hispanic or Latino/a ☐ White/Caucasian ☐ Multi-Racial (please specify) _____ ☐ Do Not Know

Part II: Academic Information

PLEASE NOTE: You must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA to be considered for these scholarships.

Anticipated Graduation (month/year): _____ Cumulative GPA _____ Cumulative GPA over 3.0? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Major 1: _____ Major 2: _____

Minor 1: _____ Minor 2: _____

Which degree requirement(s) would you like to fulfill with this study abroad program?

☐ Major Requirement(s) ☐ Minor Requirement(s) ☐ Core Complement(s) ☐ Free Elective(s)

Have you previously studied abroad through Salve Regina University? ☐ Yes _____ ☐ No

Name of Study Abroad Program

Part III: Study Abroad Program Information

Country: _____ City: _____

Program Provider/ Host University _____

Program Title: (if applicable) _____

PART IV: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE ESSAY

Please attach a proofread 750 - 1000 word statement of purpose essay that answers the listed essay questions

PART V: FACULTY REFERENCE

Please ask one faculty member to complete the attached faculty reference form and submit the completed form to the Office of International Programs. Indicate below whom you have asked to provide your reference in case we need to follow up with the faculty member.

Reference Name: _____ Department: _____

PART VI: STUDENT SIGNATURE – READ BEFORE SIGNING

By submitting this application, I certify that the information on this application is correct. I acknowledge that award distribution is subject to certain eligibility requirements and is at the discretion of Salve Regina University. I understand that students receiving this scholarship must comply with the stated expectations of the Office of International Programs prior to, during and after the abroad experience.

I acknowledge and agree that Salve Regina may revoke my scholarship application at any time if:

- I am no longer a matriculating student at Salve Regina,
- I no longer meet eligibility requirements of the scholarship I am awarded,
- I fail to pay the required Study Abroad Program fees for both Salve Regina and the program abroad,
- I have been found to have violated the Student Code of Conduct or any other law, rule, or regulation and/or I have engaged in unprofessional and/or inappropriate behavior that would affect my ability to preserve the high standards of the University as a student studying abroad.

I also authorize Salve Regina to publish for public relations purposes my photograph or photographs in which I appear.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Study Abroad Scholarship Faculty Recommendation

Student Directions

Complete the section below and deliver this form to your chosen faculty member who has taught one of your courses or from an Academic Advisor you have worked with for more than one semester.

Applicant Name (Print or Type):

Salve ID#:

I am applying for the following semester study abroad program:

Country: _____ City: _____

Program Provider/ Host University _____

Program Title: _____

Students: Select only one of the below options (☑):

☐ I hereby waive my right of access to the information on this reference.

☐ I do not waive my right of access to the information on this reference.

Student Signature / Date (Required) _____

Instructions for Faculty

- Please complete the reference form below as candidly as possible. You may submit the completed form directly to the **Office of International Programs** via campus mail, fax or email studyabroad@salve.edu.
- Please be aware that this student's scholarship application will not be reviewed until the faculty reference is received.

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Scholarship Reference Questions

1. For how long and in what capacity have you known this student? Please provide an overall assessment of the applicant's academic abilities and potential for academic success during their semester abroad.



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2. Please share your thoughts on the scholarship applicant's strengths, extra-curricular involvement and any other areas of distinction that make this student stand out.

3. Please share your thoughts regarding on this applicant's suitability for the Study Abroad Scholarships in relation to their chosen study abroad program and/or location of program (listed above).

4. From your interaction with the student, do you feel that the applicant has the ability and maturity to achieve his or her goals during their semester abroad?

5. Do you have any additional comments about this student?

6. Overall, do you feel that this student is a suitable and qualified candidate for a study abroad scholarship(s) awarded by Salve Regina University and the Office of International Programs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Faculty Name (Printed): _____ Department: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____